the excessive stress is more often than not confined to a relatively small number of members.

In the instance where the number of tower members needing attention is not excessive, the members can be replaced or reinforced. Sometimes the requirement is as simple as adding a second steel angle back-to-back with the steel angle already in place. Sometimes one or more guy levels must be supplied with larger diameter guys, or an additional group of guys provided at a new level, perhaps with other guys being repositioned.

Strengthening an existing tower is much less costly than building a new tower. Even a fairly extensive amount of work can be accomplished within a one hundred thousand dollar budget. Furthermore, that work can usually be accomplished without disrupting the station operation.

Quite obviously, all existing towers cannot be subjected to a stress analysis at this time to arrive at a more realistic cost figure for the ATV conversion. However, experience dictates a conclusion that relatively few stations would have to resort to tower replacement as a condition for adding a simulcast ATV channel."

#### ATTACHMENT C

# **HIGH DEFINITION TELEVISION**

Member/PBS Transition Planning

Each television station in America has a different station configuration and is in a unique competitive situation. Each station will have to examine its own situation in light of the many factors in order to decide what role it wants to play in the area of Advanced Television.

This document attempts to present some rudimentary and preliminary cost factors that will help stations to estimate the expense to add an ATV simulcast system. This is intended to be a shopping list with some basic groupings so that station general, financial, production and engineering managers can begin to develop long range strategies which would allow a manageable and graceful transition into ATV.

Much has been made in recent times about the high costs of advanced television. What has not been discussed is that these investments can be made over a many year period. Also not stated is that many of the high costs can be attributed to high research and development costs that must necessarily be absorbed through initial product sales. As time goes on, the technology of manufacturing and the equipment itself will improve and the costs will go down. Finally, costs generally refer to wide bandwidth major studio production equipment. As ATV develops, new more limited bandwidth equipment will need to be developed for local broadcast stations so that it can be produced at a lower cost. A few items of such equipment are already beginning to appear at HDTV trade shows. Others are now being discussed by equipment manufacturers and PBS is urging these manufacturers to complete the development of such products.

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## I. Tower Site/System

#### A. New Tower Site:

| Land (50 acres)                     | \$500K   |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Site Development                    | \$100K   |
| Access Road                         | \$900K   |
| Soils and Survey                    | \$10K    |
| Electric (substation and generator) | \$400K   |
| Tower & Installation (1000')        | \$500K   |
| Total                               | \$2,410K |

## B. Existing Tower Site, New Tower:

| Total                               | \$1,060K |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Tower & Installation (1000')        | \$500K   |
| Electric (substation and generator) | \$400K   |
| Soils and survey                    | \$10K    |
| Access road                         | \$150K   |

#### C. Existing Tower Site, Existing Tower:

| Major | modifications | \$100K |
|-------|---------------|--------|

## D. Existing Tower Site, Existing Tower:

| \$10K |
|-------|
|       |

| II.  | Transmitter Building                      |        |
|------|---|--------|
|      | A. New building(1500 sf)                  | \$113K |
|      | B. Existing building, addition(500 sf)    | \$38K  |
|      | C. Existing building, minor modifications | \$10K  |
|      |   |        |
| III. | Legal Consultation                        |        |
|      | A. No dedicated action                    | \$5K   |
|      | B. Complaints, no court action            | \$50K  |
|      | C. Complaints, court action               | \$500K |
|      |   |        |
| IV.  | Engineering Services                      |        |
|      | A. Antenna systems design                 | \$36K  |
|      | B. FAA & FCC Application/Followup         | \$50K  |

C. Tower Application/Followup

\$8K

# V. Transmission Plants

## A. VHF Low Band Transmission Plant, 10KW ERP, with:

| Transmitter - 2 KW, Installed              | \$150K     |
|--|------------|
| HDTV Encoder (or Format Converter/Modulate | or) \$100K |
| Remote control system                      | \$30K      |
| Antenna                                    | \$250K     |
| Transmission line (1000')                  | \$50K      |
| Antenna/Line Installation Services         | \$50K      |
| Test Signal Inserter                       | \$26K      |
| Test Equipment                             | \$65K      |
| Precision Demodulator                      | \$22K      |
| Demultiplexer                              | \$15K      |
| HD Color Monitor 14"                       | \$11K      |
| HD Precision Waveform Monitor              | \$12K      |
| HD Signal Monitor                          | \$20K      |
| Audio Processing                           | \$6K       |
| Audio Monitoring                           | \$10K      |
| Total                                      | \$817K     |

# B. VHF High Band Transmission Plant, 30 KW ERP, with:

| Transmitter - 5 KW                     | \$200K         |
|--|----------------|
| HDTV Encoder (or Format Converter/Mode | ulator) \$100K |
| Remote Control System                  | \$30K          |
| Antenna                                | \$250K         |
| Transmission line (1000')              | \$50K          |
| Antenna/Line Installation Services     | \$50K          |
| Test Signal Inserter                   | \$26K          |
| Test Equipment                         | \$65K          |
| Precision Demodulator                  | \$22K          |
| Demultiplexer                          | \$15K          |
| HD Color Monitor 14"                   | \$11K          |
| Precision WM                           | \$12K          |
| HD Signal Monitor                      | \$20K          |
| Audio Processing                       | \$6K           |
| Audio Monitoring                       | \$10K          |
| Total                                  | \$867K         |

Figure 12 shows, for example, that when Group 2 has reached Phase D of the transition in the sixth year, 53% of television households will have HDTV service available, while in the eighth year, when the 160 stations in Group 3 have achieved Phase D, 83% or 76 million households will have HDTV service available.

The last Phase (F) of conversion to high definition electronic news gathering is not shown, because many stations may defer this phase for some years, as discussed previously.

# C. UHF Transmission Plant, 150 KW ERP, with:

| Transmitter - 20 KW               |                   | \$300K |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|--------|
| HDTV Encoder (or Format Con       | verter/Modulator) | \$100K |
| Remote Control System             |                   | \$30K  |
| Antenna                           |                   | \$250K |
| Transmission line (1000')         |                   | \$80K  |
| Antenna/Line Installation Service | ces               | \$50K  |
| Test Signal Inserter              |                   | \$26K  |
| Test Equipment                    |                   | \$65K  |
| Precision Demodulator             |                   | \$22K  |
| Demultiplexer                     |                   | \$15K  |
| HD Color Monitor 14"              |                   | \$11K  |
| HD Precision Waveform Monitor     | •                 | \$12K  |
| HD Signal Monitor                 |                   | \$20K  |
| Audio Processing                  |                   | \$6K   |
| Audio Monitoring                  |                   | \$10K  |
| To                                | otal              | \$997K |

## Sample Transmission Package 1

#### 10 KW ERP VHF, (Low Band) (best case)

#### Existing tower site

| Exisiting Tower, minor modification     | \$10K  |
|---|--------|
| Exisiting building, minor modifications | \$10K  |
| Legal fees, no complaints               | \$5K   |
| Engineering/antenna                     | \$36K  |
| Engineering/FAA&FCC                     | \$50K  |
| Engineering/tower                       | \$8K   |
| Transmission Plant                      | \$817K |
| Total                                   | \$936K |

#### Sample Transmission Package 2

#### 10 KW ERP VHF, (Low Band) (worst case)

| New tower site & tower     | \$2,410K |
|----------------------------|----------|
| New building               | \$113K   |
| Legal fees                 | \$50K    |
| Engineering/antenna system | \$36K    |
| Engineering/FAA&FCC        | \$50K    |
| Engineering/tower          | \$8K     |
| Transmission Plant         | \$817K   |
| Total                      | \$3,484K |

#### Sample Transmission Package 3

#### 30 KW ERP VHF, (High Band) (best case)

#### Existing tower site

| Total                                   | \$986K |
|---|--------|
| Transmission Plant                      | \$867K |
| Engineering/tower                       | \$8K   |
| Engineering/FAA&FCC                     | \$50K  |
| Engineering/antenna                     | \$36K  |
| Legal fees, no complaints               | \$5K   |
| Exisiting building, minor modifications | \$10K  |
| Exisiting Tower, minor modification     | \$10K  |

#### Sample Transmission Package 4

#### 30 KW ERP VHF, (High Band) (worst case)

| New tower site & tower     | \$2,410K |
|----------------------------|----------|
| New building               | \$113K   |
| Legal fees                 | \$50K    |
| Engineering/antenna system | \$36K    |
| Engineering/FAA&FCC        | \$50K    |
| Engineering/tower          | \$8K     |
| Transmission Plant         | \$867K   |
| —<br>Total                 | \$3,534K |

## Sample Transmission Package 5

## 150 KW ERP UHF (best case)

#### Existing tower site

| Existing tower, minor modification    | \$10K    |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Existing building, minor modification | \$10K    |
| Legal fees, no complaints             | \$5K     |
| Engineering/antenna system            | \$36K    |
| Engineering/FAA & FCC                 | \$50K    |
| Engineering/tower                     | \$8K     |
| Transmission Plant                    | \$997Ķ   |
| Total                                 | \$1,116K |

## Sample Transmission Package 6

#### 150 KW ERP UHF (worst case)

| New tower site & tower     | \$2,410K |
|----------------------------|----------|
| New building               | \$113K   |
| Legal fees                 | \$50K    |
| Engineering/antenna system | \$36K    |
| Engineering/FAA&FCC        | \$50K    |
| Engineering/tower          | \$8K     |
| Transmission Plant         | \$997K   |
|                            |          |

Total

\$3,664K

VI. Broadcast Origination/Studio Plant

## MODEL #1 HDTV - PASS-THROUGH NETWORK PROGRAMMING

#### **HDTV** Broadcast Operations

| 1  | Broadcast/routing switcher           | \$80K/each | \$80K |
|----|--------------------------------------|------------|-------|
| 4  | HD color monitors 4 - 18"            | \$11K/each | \$44K |
|    | Video signal processing/distribution | n          | \$35K |
| 1  | Upconverter                          | \$50K/each | \$50K |
| 1  | Downconverter                        | \$50K/each | \$50K |
| 2  | HD Precision WM                      | \$12K/each | \$24K |
| 2  | HD Precision Signal Monitors         | \$20K/each | \$40K |
| 12 | HD B&W monitors (8")                 | \$2K/each  | \$24K |
|    | Audio monitoring (4 ch.)             | \$10K/each | \$10K |
|    | HD Studio Test Equipment             |            | \$75K |
|    | WB Oscilloscope                      | \$15K      |       |
|    | HD Test Generator                    | \$26K      | ·     |
|    | Bit Error Rate Analyzer              | \$12K      |       |
|    | Tools                                | \$15K      |       |
|    | Misc                                 | \$7K       | ÷     |
| 1  | Precision Demodulators               | \$22K/each | \$22K |
| 1  | Demultiplexers                       | \$15K/each | \$15K |

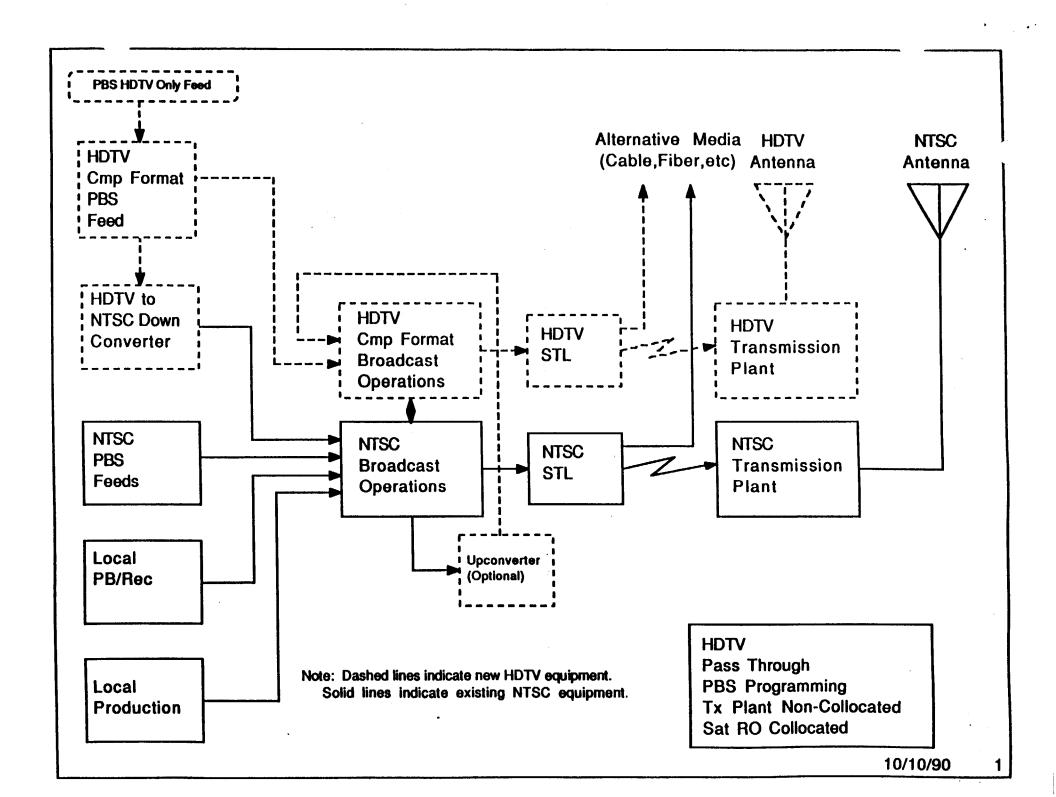
## MODEL #1 HDTV - continued

#### HDTV PBS Feeds

| 4      | 1154-1114                   |             | #40W/      | A 4 A 1/ |
|--------|-----------------------------|-------------|------------|----------|
| 1      | HD satellite receiver       |             | \$10K/each | \$10K    |
|        |                             |             |            |          |
| 1      | HD character generator      |             | \$60K/each | \$60K    |
|        | tip character denerator     |             | 40010 each | \$00K    |
|        |                             |             |            |          |
| 1      | HD still store              |             | \$70K/each | \$70K    |
|        |                             |             |            |          |
| 1      | HD sync generator/pulse     | distributio | n          |          |
| •      | dyno generator/paroc        | 4.50.1540.5 | \$25K/lot  | \$25K    |
|        |                             |             | \$25K/IOL  | \$25K    |
|        |                             |             |            |          |
| 1      | HD Frame Synchronizer       |             | \$38K/each | \$38K    |
|        | ·                           |             |            |          |
| HDTV 9 | Studio to Transmitter Links |             |            |          |
| 11511  | oludio to manamitte Links   |             |            |          |
| _      |                             |             |            |          |
| • 1    | HD STL                      |             | \$48K/each | \$48K    |
|        |                             |             |            |          |
|        |                             |             |            |          |
|        |                             | Subtotal    |            | \$720K   |
| •      |                             | ,           | ,          | *        |
|        | Installation Materials /79/ | `           |            | ¢ E O V  |
|        | installation Materials (7%  | 7)          |            | \$50K    |
|        |                             |             |            |          |
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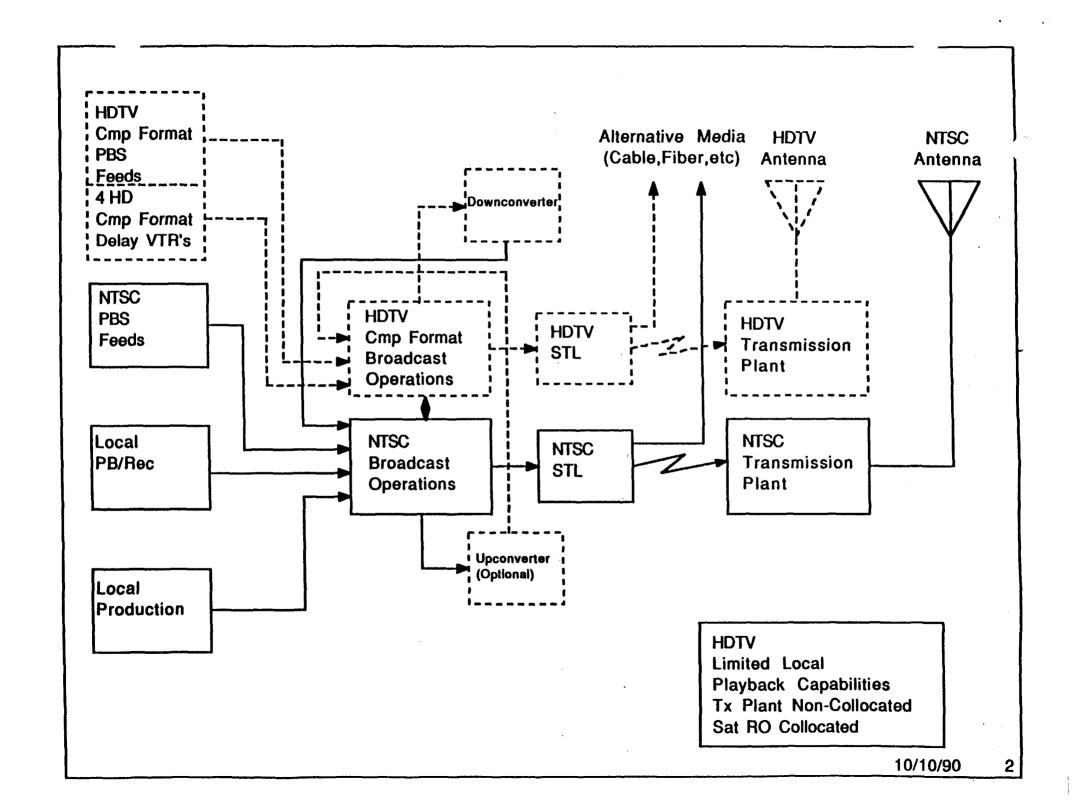
Total for Model 1

\$770K



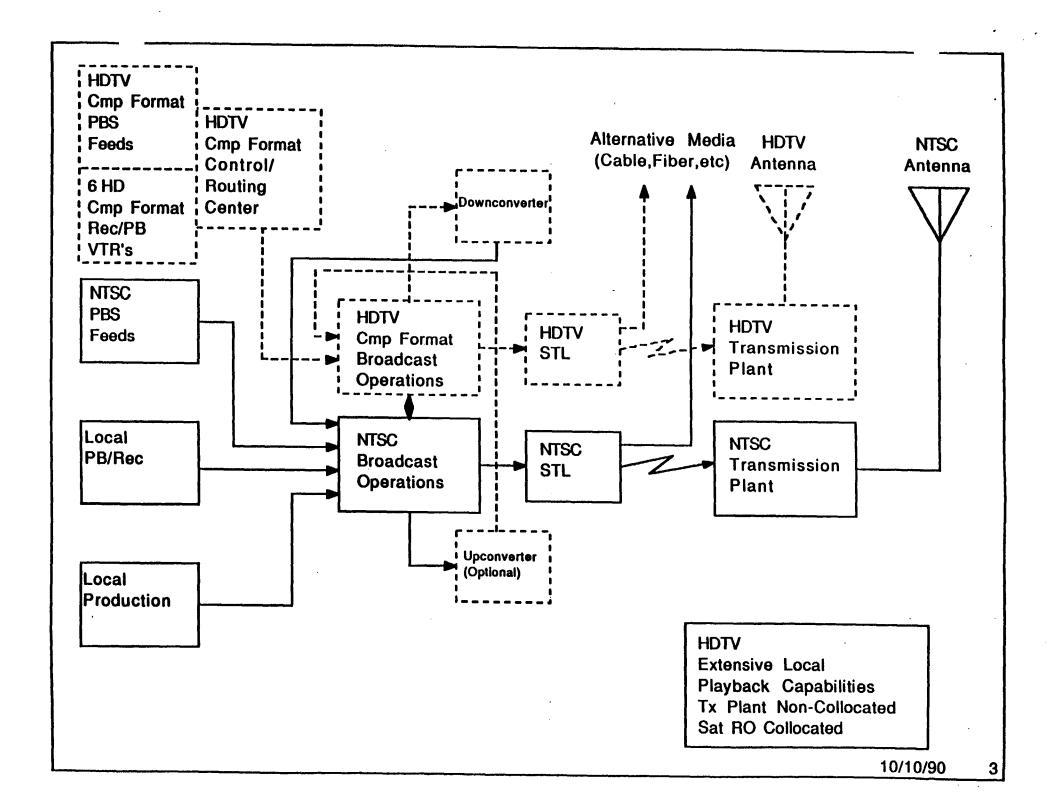
## MODEL #2 HDTV - LIMITED LOCAL PLAYBACK CAPABILITIES

| 4 | HD compressed format VT     | 'R's      | \$80K/each | \$320K |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------|------------|--------|
|   | Router Expansion for HD     | VTR's     |            | \$80K  |
| 8 | HD B&W Monitors (8")        |           | \$2K/each  | \$16K  |
| 2 | HD 14" color monitors       |           | \$11K/each | \$22K  |
| 2 | HD Utility WM               |           | \$6K/each  | \$12K  |
| 1 | HD Precision WM             |           | \$12K/each | \$12K  |
| 1 | HD Precision Signal Monit   | or        | \$20K/each | \$20K  |
|   |                             | Subtotal  |            | \$482K |
|   | Installation Materials (5%) |           |            | \$24K  |
|   |                             | Model 2   | Total      | \$506K |
|   | Total for M                 | odels 1 & | 2 \$       | 1,276K |



## MODEL #3 HDTV - EXTENSIVE LOCAL PLAYBACK CAPABILITIES

| 2 | HD compressed format VTR's        | \$80K/each           | \$160K |
|---|-----------------------------------|----------------------|--------|
| 1 | HD compressed format video cart m | achine<br>\$800/each | \$800K |
|   | HD router expansion               |                      | \$40K  |
| 8 | HD B&W monitors (8")              | \$2K/each            | \$16K  |
|   | Subtotal                          | \$                   | 1,016K |
|   | Installation Materials (5%)       |                      | \$51K  |
|   | Model 3                           | Total \$             | 1,067K |
|   | Total for Models 1, 2             | and 3 \$             | 2,343K |



## MODEL #4 HDTV - PRODUCTION/POST/REMOTE CAPABILITIES

## **Broadcast Format Equipment (Compressed Format)**

|   | Distribution               | Subtotal   | \$256K |
|---|----------------------------|------------|--------|
| 1 | HD STL (Add Redundancy)    | \$48K/each | \$48K  |
| 4 | HD B&W Monitors (8" Dual)  | \$2K/each  | \$8K   |
|   | HD router expansion        |            | \$40K  |
| 2 | HD compressed format VTR's | \$80K/each | \$160K |

## MODEL #4 HDTV - continued

# Production Format Equipment (Wideband Format) (all of the following operates in a full bandwidth format)

#### Studio Production Equipment

| 3 | HD VTR's                       | \$320K/each                  | \$960K  |
|---|--------------------------------|------------------------------|---------|
| 1 | HD routing switcher            | \$160K/each                  | \$160K  |
| 3 | HD cameras                     | \$375K/each                  | \$1125K |
| 1 | HD switcher                    | \$400K/each                  | \$400K  |
|   | HD signal distribution/process | sing                         | \$35K   |
| 1 | HD DVE                         | \$250K/each                  | \$250K  |
|   | HD signal distribution         |                              | \$75K   |
| 1 | HD compressed/Full Band For    | rmat Converter<br>\$50K/each | \$50K   |
| 1 | HD character generator         | \$120K/each                  | \$120K  |
|   | HD sync system/distribution    |                              | \$75K   |

## MODEL #4 HDTV - continued

| 2     | HD Color Monitors (28")     | \$25K/each  | \$50K  |
|-------|-----------------------------|-------------|--------|
| 4     | HD Color Monitors (18")     | \$11K/each  | \$44K  |
| 13    | HD B&W Monitors (14")       | \$3.7K/each | \$48K  |
| 8     | HD B&W Monitors (8")        | \$2K/each   | \$16K  |
| 8     | HD Utility WM's             | \$6K/each   | \$48K  |
| 1     | HD Frame Synchronizer       | \$38K/each  | \$38K  |
|       | HD Test Equipment           |             | \$100K |
| 1     | HD Precision WM             | \$12K/each  | \$12K  |
| 1     | HD Precision Signal Monitor | \$20K/each  | \$20K  |
|       |                             |             |        |
| Field | Production                  |             |        |
| 1     | HD field camera             | \$375K/each | \$375K |
| 1     | HD field VTR                | \$320K/each | \$320K |

## MODEL #4 HDTV - continued

#### **Post Production**

| 1 | HD editing system                 | \$50K/each  | \$50K    |
|---|-----------------------------------|-------------|----------|
| 1 | HD editing switcher/signal proce  | essing      | \$350K   |
| 1 | HD DVE                            | \$250K/each | \$250K   |
| 1 | HD paint system                   | \$500K/each | \$500K   |
| 1 | HD character generator            | \$120K/each | \$120K   |
| 4 | HD color monitors (18")           | \$11K/each  | \$44K    |
| 8 | HD B&W monitors                   | \$2K/each   | \$16K    |
| 2 | HD utility WM                     | \$6K/each   | \$12K    |
| 1 | HD Signal Monitor                 | \$20K/each  | \$20K    |
|   | Production                        | Subtotal    | \$5,683K |
|   | Installation Materials/Spares (5% | <b>%)</b>   | 284K     |
|   | Production                        | Total       | \$5,967K |
|   | Model 4 To                        | tal         | \$6,223K |
|   | Total for Models 1, 2, 3          | 3, & 4      | \$8,566K |

